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12.03 hrs.

Title: Regarding passing of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess (Amendment) Bill, 2003, the Election Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2003 and the Special Protection Group (Amendment) Bill, 2003 by the Rajya Sabha.

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Sir, I have to report the following messages received from the Secretary-General of Rajya Sabha:-

i. "In accordance with the provisions of sub-rule (6) of rule 186 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to return herewith the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess (Amendment) Bill, 2003, which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 18th February, 2003 and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommendations to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said Bill."
ii. "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 27th February, 2003 agreed without any amendment to the Election Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2003 which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 19th February, 2003."
iii. "In accordance with the provisions of rule 127 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to inform the Lok Sabha that the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 27th February, 2003 agreed without any amendment to the Special Protection Group (Amendment) Bill, 2003 which was passed by the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 20th February, 2003."